

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. The 1 and 6 Rifle Regiments occupy a joint barracks area approximately 300 meters square, located at the corner of Stalin Highway and Patriarch Eftimiy Street in Sofia. The 1 and 4 Artillery Regiments are quartered in a recently constructed white stone 4- or 5-story building located approximately four kilometers from Sofia, on the Sofia-Plovdiv highway. Tanks of an unidentified type were observed in the vicinity of the 1 and 4 Artillery Regiment quarters.
2. In 1951, a large Army garage was built approximately two kilometers southwest of the Iskŭr Station, on the west bank of the Iskŭr River. It has the following approximate dimensions:
  - a. Length, 300 meters;
  - b. Width, 100-150 meters; and
  - c. Height, 15-20 meters.

It allegedly belongs to 4 Artillery Regiment since a road was constructed between the garage and the regiment's barracks.

4. The 1 Signal Regiment is located adjacent to the central prison of Sofia. The 1 Engineer Regiment is located 400 meters west of the Aleksandrovska Hospital, 10 meters from the Sofia-Knyazhevo streetcar line in Sofia. An unidentified truck

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transport regiment is quartered in barracks located adjacent to the Engineer Regiment.

5. Zavod No. 12 is a factory located near the quarters of 1 Engineer Regiment. This factory belonged to 1 Engineer Regiment prior to World War II and was turned over to the railroad administration during the war. The factory is now believed [redacted] to have reverted to 1 Engineer Regiment because military personnel have been observed entering and leaving it. Its buildings are described as long 1-story garage-like buildings. [redacted] once obtained some oxygen there. 25X1 25X1
6. In early 1951, a new 4-story barracks building approximately 60-80 meters long and 20 meters wide was built in Gorna Banya, Sofia okoliya, and used for a Trudovak officers school. All classes were held in this building.. A streetcar line passes in front of the building, located approximately 100 meters south of the village hot springs bath.
7. A reserve officers school is located 1.5 kilometers south of Gorna Banya and approximately 100 meters from the Sofia-Pernik railway line. It is a new 4-story building 60-80 meters long and 20 meters wide. There are no other buildings located in the vicinity. [redacted] 25X1
8. In early 1951, Captain Georgi Zabunov was "machinery technician" at the reserve officers school and supervised the installation of radiator equipment.<sup>2</sup>
9. In 1952, reserves were allegedly being recalled and sent directly to the Yugoslav border with no additional training.
10. In May 1952, two trains, each composed of 25 to 30 freight cars, were observed leaving the Sofia freight yards in the direction of Plovdiv. One train was loaded with tanks and the other with guns, and they were all covered with tarpaulins. In early 1952, an [redacted] armored unit was observed moving from Stara Zagora to Gorna Banya. 25X1
11. [redacted] the following Bulgarian Army officers: 25X1

a. Captain Georgi Zabunov, mechanical engineering instructor in the Sofia Reserve Officers School, [redacted] 25X1

b. Senior First Lieutenant Zakhari Dimitrov, [redacted] 25X1

c. First Lieutenant Sasho Stoyanov Eftimov, [redacted] 25X1

d. First Lieutenant Dimitur Slavev Dimitrov, [redacted] 25X1

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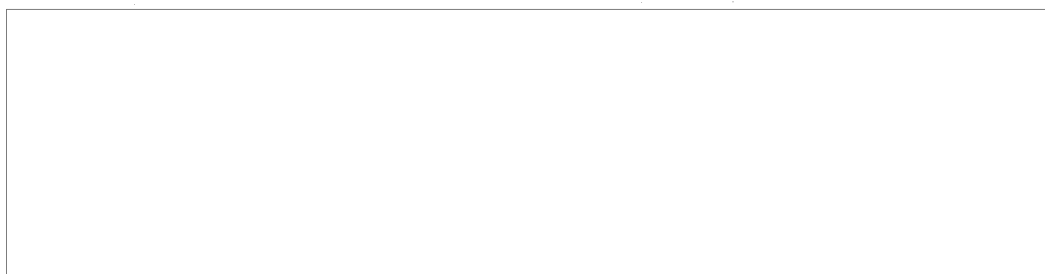
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e. Captain Zhekov, a dentist



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